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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20505

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30 April 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Honorable William H. Sullivan
Deputy Assistant Secretary for East
Asian and Pacific Affairs
Department of State

SUBJECT: Moose and Lowenstein

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1. Last evening I queried [] on how the Embassy proposed to handle Moose and Lowenstein. I said it seemed important to me that the [] Ambassador concert on how they were going to field Moose and Lowenstein inquiries in the light of their probing on the [] in their visit to Laos. I said if they needed further guidance to let us know. I also asked for their recommendations as to whether it would be advisable for the [] to delay his departure [] leave now scheduled for 1 May. The [] replied with the attached message.

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2. Attached per our telephone conversation is a suggested reply. I would appreciate your earliest clearance on this so that I can confirm the [] travel plans.

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FOR THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR PLANS:

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Attachments: 2

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State Department review completed

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DRAFT TELEGRAM FOR CLEARANCE

TO: BANGKOK

FOR CHARGE NEWMAN FROM SULLIVAN

REF: BANGKOK 1465

1. WE HAVE CONSULTED WITH [REDACTED]

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REFERENCE TO YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS IN PARA 3 REF. WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT WE SHOULD TRY TO DEFER DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN EMBASSY AND MOOSE AND LOWENSTEIN ON BASIS YOU PROPOSE IN YOUR FIRST ALTERNATIVE. IT SEEMS BETTER TO US FOR CHARGE TO MEET WITH MOOSE AND LOWENSTEIN AND HANDLE THEIR INQUIRIES ON BASIS GUIDANCE ALREADY RECEIVED, MODIFIED ONLY AS NECESSARY BY OUTCOME THEIR CONVERSATIONS IN LAOS. IN THESE CONVERSATIONS THE EMBASSY COULD AND SHOULD PLEAD IGNORANCE OF SPECIFIC FUNDING ARRANGEMENTS FOR THAI FORCES IN LAOS AND REFER MOOSE AND LOWENSTEIN TO WASHINGTON ON THIS SUBJECT. THERE SHOULD ALSO BE NO DISCUSSION OF ANY FIRMLY PLANNED INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF [REDACTED] BEYOND THOSE ALREADY DEPLOYED OR IN TRAINING.

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